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Serial No. 09/997,449	Art Unit: 3731
Filed: November 30, 2001	
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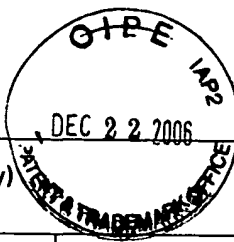
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Ho:

This responds to the Office Action dated September 26, 2006.

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER** (Large Entity)

Applicant(s): Shamim M. Malik et al.

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

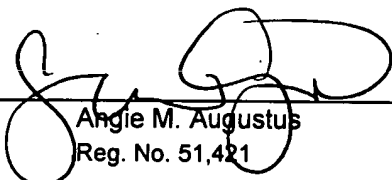
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INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3	0	X \$200.00	\$00.00
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